

G Adventures: Highlights of Hawaii – Maui & Big Island

Day 1: Kahului

Arrive at any time.

Welcome to Maui! There are no planned activities today, so check into the hotel and explore.

Day 2: Kahului

Hop onboard and travel the famous Road to Hana. Enjoy the multiple stops along the way that highlight the local culture and take you back to the times of the Gods. Get out and stretch enroute at Hana Farms home of the best banana bread and all sorts of tropical fruits. Continue to Wai'anapanapa State Park and squeeze the black volcanic sand through your toes, and opt to walk through a Lava Tube. Journey further down the road to the town of Hana and enjoy local lunch specialties. After lunch, head to Hamoa Beach surrounded by Hala trees to relax and soak it all in. Head back towards the hotel, stopping at a local favorite, Paia Fish Market for their signature 'Fresh Fish with Aloha' for dinner.

Day 3: Kahului

In the morning hit the beach with your group. Opt to snorkel, learn how to hang 10 with a surf lesson, go whale watching (seasonal), or just relax. In the afternoon, head to Lahaina and check out Banyan Court with the oldest living tree on Maui. Stroll along Front Street to enjoy the shopping and local art. Whatever you choose, make sure to save plenty of energy (and appetite) for this evening's Luau, a traditional Hawaiian party featuring dancing and delicious local foods like Poke and roast Pork.

Day 4: Kahului/Hilo

Catch a flight to the island of Hawai'i (aka the Big Island) and transfer to the town of Hilo. Known for it's unique black lava environment and laid back atmosphere. Enjoy a visit 'Akaka Falls State Park and then spend the rest of the day to explore as you see fit.

Day 5: Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park

Travel to Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park and discover the lava flows and martian-like landscapes. During a full-day excursion, drive over new lava flows, see newly created black sand beaches, and hike to see cavernous craters. See first hand how the Hawaiian islands were formed, and continue to grow! After a full day to explore and hike the park the group will return to Hilo for a a free evening.

Day 6: Hilo/Kailua-Kona

Today drive the saddle road past Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa. Enjoy an included visit to Pu'uhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park. Visit the sacred grounds and witness the various wood-carved statues learning about the ancient laws known as Kapu, and the spiritual undercurrents of Hawaiian culture as you go. After, enjoy an afternoon lunch and snorkel. Then visit/tour a coffee farm en route to Kona. In the evening you can opt to swim with Manta Rays while in Kona.

Day 7: Kailua-Kona

Enjoy a free day in Kona. Opt to take a kayak trip around the Captain Cook Monument, check out the gorgeous hiking in the area or just relax at the beach outside the hotel. In the evening join your

group for a farewell dinner.

Day 8: Kailua-Kona

Depart at any time.